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THE DELICO STRAWBERRY grew vigorously, and was one of the best of the  
plantation last summer.—from report of Maine Agricultural Experiment Station.  
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# EASTMAN'S ANNUAL SEED CATALOGUE

1903



Delico and Early Tomato, engraved from a photograph.—See page 2.

The Eastman Seed Co.  
East Sumner, Maine



# Eastman's Annual Seed Catalogue.

For The Season of 1903.

**N**EVER was the importance of procuring good seed more emphatic than at the present season. The almost unprecedented shortages on many crops last summer has in many instances made an advance in prices unavoidable. We have, however, striven to keep these advances at a minimum, and in a few instances on some favored crops have even made a reduction from our prices of a year ago. As heretofore we cater to the class of trade that seeks the **Best Seeds** rather than the cheapest, and shall endeavor to merit their continued patronage.

A new departure with us the present year is the offer of many standard varieties in retail packages of two sizes, the regular 5-cent size and a smaller 3-cent size for small gardens.

**We Grow Our Seeds** on our own grounds. Not all, but the most important kinds, and a greater proportion, we believe, than any other retail house in America. Thus we both *know* the quality of our seeds and save customers the middleman's profits.

**Our Location** is conducive to the production of seeds of the highest quality, and *the best* rather than the cheapest is our aim. Carefully conducted experiments by eminent scientists have demonstrated the truth of the popular idea that seeds ripened in the north are far superior to those grown in lower latitudes, and our customers testify to the same fact.

**Our Facilities** for handling, packing and shipping seeds to our customers are such that your orders will be promptly and accurately filled, and the seeds safely delivered by mail or otherwise, as directed.

**Our List of Varieties** is much smaller than in most seed catalogues, as we have always held that a select list of the best varieties is preferable to a lengthy list of good, bad or indifferent.

**Our Prices** are as low as the high standard of our seeds will admit and (except in cases specially noted) include the free delivery of our seeds by mail. Many catalogues convey the idea of low prices by the figures opposite each variety, while elsewhere a charge of eight cents per pound is required. *We pay the postage*, thus practically bringing our seed store to your own town.

**Our Own Introductions** are designated throughout the catalogue by our trademark as in the margin of this paragraph. Novelties are so apt to be disappointing through overdrawn descriptions and otherwise, that we have always made thorough trials of whatever was new and of promise before admitting it to our catalogue, and have then been careful that our descriptions should conform to the characteristics of the varieties as they exist. It is a pleasure to have our customers tell us—as they do—that their expectations are more than realized.



**We Warrant** our seeds to be as represented to the extent of refilling the order gratis should there be just cause for dissatisfaction, either in same varieties or in other seeds of equal value. We do not, however, warrant the crop, which depends as much on proper culture and favorable weather as on the quality of the seed.

**There is No Risk** in ordering seeds of us by mail. If remittances are made as directed in the next paragraph, *we assume all risks*, and guarantee the safe arrival of the seeds.

**How to send Money.** Our terms for seeds are cash with the order. *Sums of over one dollar* may be sent at our risk by Postoffice order, Bank Draft or Registered Letter. *Sums of one dollar or less* may be mailed at our risk in a securely sealed letter.

**EXTRA SEEDS.** As in former years we offer extra seeds *by the packet* to the amount of 20 cents for every full dollar remitted. On all miscellaneous orders, seeds to the full amount of the actual remittance may be either by the packet or by the ounce, pound, quart, etc. but the *extra* seeds must be by the *packet only*. The only exception is where an order consists almost wholly of high-priced seeds in large quantity, such as onion seed by the pound, peas by the bushel, etc.

# Eastman's Specialties.

## Bright and Early Tomato.

(See cut, front page of cover.)

Of the novelties we have from time to time introduced the greatest favorites have been the ones in which extreme earliness is one of the leading characteristics. Eastman's Early Sweet Corn, the Lightning Bean, and the Granite State Musk Melon stand in evidence as striking examples, the demand for each increasing year by year. The BRIGHT AND EARLY TOMATO is no exception. We consider it the best combination of earliness, yield and quality yet attained in this vegetable, and it is fast becoming the leading early tomato for home use and for early market. We



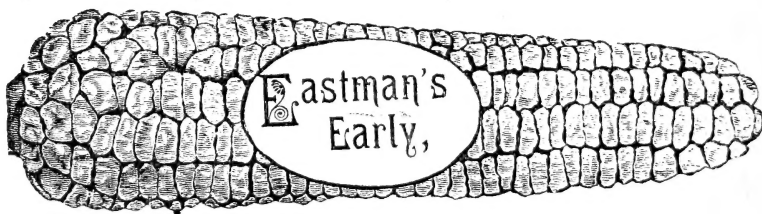
have repeatedly tried it in comparison with the leading early varieties, and the BRIGHT AND EARLY has invariably been first to ripen. Extensive tests elsewhere point in the same direction. One market gardener reports that with him it was fully two weeks ahead of any other variety, over fifty kinds being tested. The form of the BRIGHT AND EARLY is nearly round, somewhat flattened, with smooth surface, free from irregularities. Color is a deep, handsome red, very uniform in shade. The skin is firm and free from cracks, the flesh solid and of finest flavor. While some large specimens are produced, the average size is slightly below medium. But whatever is lacking in size of the individual fruit is more than made up in the immense clusters in which they are borne. In ordinary field culture on an extensive scale they have yielded with us at the rate of over five hundred bushels of ripe fruit to the acre. *Best results are obtained both in quality and quantity of yield, and especially in earliness, if high manuring is avoided.*

Per oz. 50 cts., pkt. 5 cts.

**Bright and Early, Extra Selected.** From our field of seed tomatoes, we last season picked at the rate of four or five bushels to the acre of earliest ripe fruit, the seeds of which should give a little better results in earliness than the general run of the crop.

Per pkt. 10 cts.

## Eastman's Early Sweet Corn.

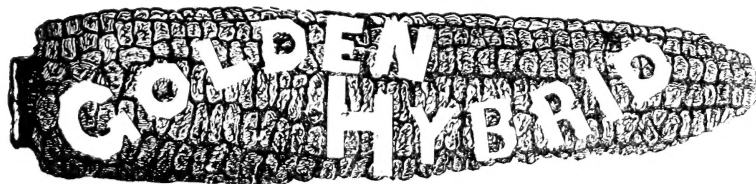


This variety, which we were six years bringing to perfection, still holds the lead in earliness, is the finest flavored of the extra early varieties; and outyields every other early kind we have tested, two good ears on a stalk

being common when it is given plenty of room. It has white kernels and a pure white cob. During the ten or twelve years our customers have planted it we do not recall a single unfavorable report, and the demand for it steadily increases. Our sales of Eastman's Early exceed that of all other varieties of sweet corn combined. At the New Hampshire Experiment Station, in a field test of 41 varieties, Eastman's Early took the lead in the combination of earliness, quality and yield. Per qt. 40 cts. ; pkt. 5 cts.



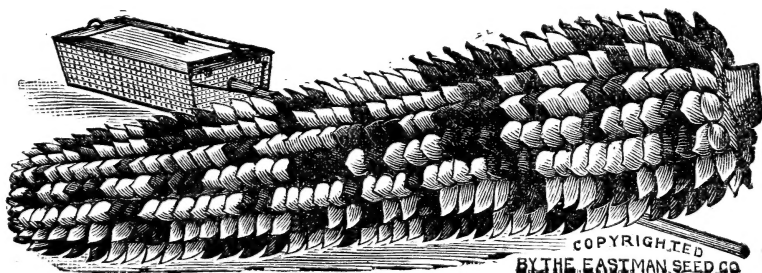
## Golden Hybrid Sweet Corn.



This cross between the sweet and field varieties of corn retains the general appearance of the former and the color of the latter, and combines the sweetness of the one with the richness of the other, producing a combination of flavor which lead many who have tried it to regard it as the finest table variety in existence. It is ready for the table soon after the very early varieties. Price, 50 cts. per qt.; 5 cts. per pkt.



## Tattooed Yankee Pop Corn.



This curiously marked pop corn has proved one of the most taking novelties we ever put out. It is of the "rice" or "squirrel tooth" type, and the colors, golden yellow and tattoo black, are in such marked contrast as everywhere to attract attention. Its fine appearance, superior quality for popping, earliness and large yield, admirably fit it for a market variety, as has been demonstrated. It is also just the thing to take the premiums at the fairs in the fall. Our artist has endeavored to show its peculiar appearance as far as possible in black and white on a reduced scale. Per qt. 50 cts. ; pkt. 5 cts.



## Lightning Bean.



This is the quickest bean on record from planting to the table. Lovers of green beans, either string or shell, who wish to hasten the season, should plant the Lightning. Planted side by side with other extra early varieties, we have yet to hear of the instance where it has failed to exceed them all in earliness, while in its season its quality is excellent. It should be closely watched when the beans begin to form, as a very few days from the blossom will give pods suitable for string beans. At this stage of their growth they are very tender and of rich flavor. But they keep right on growing, and in a few days more the pods have toughened and not long after they are fit for shelling. It exactly resembles the old Early Fegee in appearance, but with us it has come into bearing fully two weeks ahead of that variety. Price, 50 cts. per qt. ; 10 cts. per pkt.

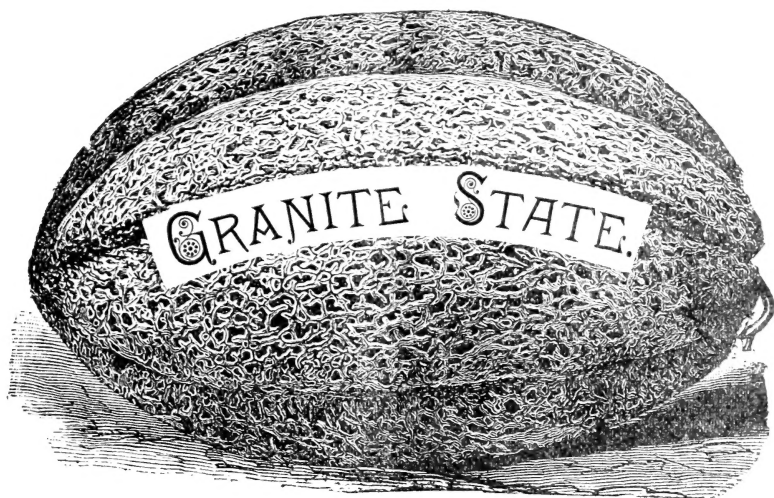


## Granite State Musk Melon.

This fine melon, first introduced by us as the earliest of all varieties, has proved an acquisition indeed to all lovers of this wholesome and luscious fruit. In all of our own trials for ten years as well as in the reported trials year by year from our customers, it has in every instance ripened ahead of all other kinds on trial, so that we can confidently recommend it as the earliest melon in cultivation. The fruit is large, oblong, deeply ribbed, greenish yellow when ripe, while the flesh is very thick, melting, and richly flavored. Cut in wide slices, lightly sprinkled with sugar and eaten with a spoon, it





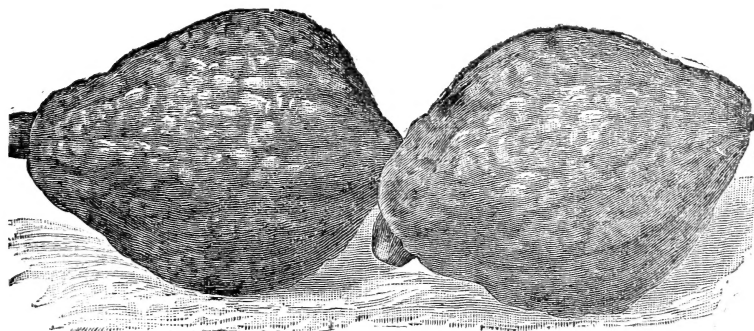


is simply delicious. One of our customers, a successful private gardener, writes us:

The Granite State Musk Melon was the first variety of good size that I have been able to ripen in six years' gardening, and is satisfactory in every way. I sowed them in the open ground late in May.

Price, 25 cts. per oz.; 10 cts. per pkt.

## Metcalf Squash.



This squash has been for years the local favorite in the vicinity of Lewiston, in this State, nearly driving other varieties out of the markets of that city during the fall and early winter. It closely resembles the well-known Boston Marrow, with the good points of that popular variety intensified, differing from it, however, in being more uniformly of a deep rich orange, in growing somewhat more irregular in shape, and in having, in many specimens, a decidedly rough exterior, and a somewhat thicker skin. It possesses all the characteristics of a good market variety for fall and early winter use, being productive, of good market size, and of superior quality.

Price, \$1.00 per lb.; 10 cts. per oz.; 5 cts. per pkt.



## Purity Cucumber.

Starting with one of the tender foreign varieties of white cucumber, we spent several years in improving and acclimating it, until in 1900 we first offered it under the name of PURITY. While pre-eminently an exhibition variety, it is in its early stages unsurpassed for the table, crisp, tender, of the mildest flavor, which we have never known to be tainted with the slightest hint of bitterness.

We do not recommend it however for a general crop, but for limited family use and exhibition purposes. It is now thoroughly Americanized, and may be depended on under ordinary conditions to produce a crop of the fairest and purest cucumbers imaginable, many specimens from two feet upwards in length. No variety equals it for ripe cucumber sweet pickles. It bears but few seeds, consequently must always be higher priced than the common sorts. Per packet, 10 cents.



## Dirigo Strawberry.

We consider ourselves fortunate in securing control of this fine new strawberry. Although a few other varieties may slightly surpass the DIRIGO in size or productiveness or earliness, and perhaps equal it in quality, we believe no berry gives a **combination of all these qualities** in such large degree as does the DIRIGO, while no strawberry approaches it in its **frost proof hardiness**.

The DIRIGO strawberry is the result of systematic and continued hybridization and selection. From thousands of seedlings the most promising were selected for further trial, and as undesirable traits were developed in any they were discarded. The usual practice is to make selection of such varieties as excel in some one point. One berry is selected for the large size of its fruit, although it may perhaps be a shy bearer. Another may be productive, but a poor shipper, and so on.

In the selections that led to the production of the DIRIGO, the originator wisely sought to *breed out* all the bad qualities rather than *breed in* one or two good points, with the result of the best combination of good points the strawberry world has yet seen. These we will consider in detail.

**Earliness.**—The DIRIGO is one of the earliest strawberries to ripen, but is a long time in bearing, making it an almost all-the-season-through berry.

**Size.**—The DIRIGO is a large berry and holds its size well toward the end of the season.

**Yield.**—In productiveness few surpass it. Some varieties that ripen their fruit all at once may yield more at a single picking, but the long season of the DIRIGO makes it one of the most productive in its total yield.

**Quality.**—The DIRIGO is round conical in shape, well colored and attractive to the eye, very firm and consequently a good shipper, while the flavor is all that could be desired.



**Sex.**—The DIRIGO seems to be what might be called a semi-staminate variety, fruiting well alone, but much **better** when in company with other varieties.

**Vigor and Hardiness.**—In each of the other desirable characteristics of this berry it is well abreast of the acknowledged leaders, and possesses the best combination of good qualities yet found in one variety. In vigor of growth and ability to withstand the severities of our rigorous New England winters it **acknowledges no superiors**. The foliage is rank and abundant, stalks stocky and of good length, and the whole growth luxurious in the extreme. Without any protection except the natural covering of snow, it has in repeated tests come out bright and vigorous in the spring, when other varieties near it suffered more or less from winter killing. Were it an ordinary berry in other particulars this one trait would make it a valuable berry for the northern section of the United States, but when to this is added the other virtues it has in such marked degree, it may well stand for the culmination of strawberry improvement in the century just passed.

From agricultural experiment station and private tests we have yet to receive the first unfavorable report. Price, by mail, postpaid, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; \$1.00 per dozen.

## SPECIAL OFFERS.

**For 10 cents** the purchaser may select packet seeds and strawberries from the foregoing list of specialties only, to the value of 15 cents.

**For 25 cents** the purchaser may select packet seeds and strawberry plants from the list as above stated to the value of 40 cents.

**For 50 cents** we will send one packet of each of the eight varieties of seed specialties, and three plants of the Dirigo Strawberry, total value 85 cents.

**Untried Novelties** or regularly listed varieties offered by other houses will be furnished by us on



receipt of the regular advertised price. No need to send elsewhere for any of your garden seeds. If you don't see what you want, ask for it.

Gregory's "Delicious" Squash. 15 cts.

# Garden Vegetables.

## ASPARAGUS.

**Conover's Colossal.** The recognized standard variety. Per lb., 50c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c.; oz. 8c. Pkt.  
3 and 5

**The Palmetto.** A new sort, earlier than Conover's Colossal, a better yielder and more even and regular. Per lb., 75c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c. oz. 10c. 5

## BEAN.

### BUSH VARIETIES.

**LIGHTNING.** (See page 4.) Per qt., 50c.; (35c. by express. 10

**GOLDEN EYED WAX.** In our New England climate the bush varieties of wax or butter bean are particularly subject to rust. The Golden Eyed Wax, (the dried bean of which might easily be mistaken for the common yellow-eye) has proved rust proof with us. The pods equal any of the wax varieties until they approach maturity, when the shelled beans are of exceptionally delicious flavor. They are also fine for baking when dry. Per qt., 35c.; (20c. by express). 5

**Dwarf Horticultural.** The dwarf form of the old London Horticultural or Speckled Cranberry. Excellent for shelling. Per qt., 35c.; (20c. by express). 5

**Early Valentine.** The best green pod string bean. Per qt., 35c. (20c. by express). 5

### POLE VARIETIES.

**OLD HOMESTEAD, (Kentucky Wonder).** Far ahead of any other green Pole Bean. Ten days earlier than any other green sort. It is enormously productive; entirely stringless. The pods, though large, cook tender, and are delicious. A most excellent snap variety, and one of the best and most profitable Beans for the market gardener. Per qt., 50c.; (35c. by express). 10

**Horticultural Lima.** Intermediate between the London Horticultural and the Lima, preserving in a considerable degree the color and hardness of the former and the form of the latter; while it combines the flavor of the two. Per qt., 45c.; (30c. by express). 5

**London Horticultural.** An excellent shell bean, also known as the Speckled Cranberry. Per qt., 40c.; (25c. by express). 5

**Golden Cluster Wax.** Earlier than the old Giant Wax, bearing pods double the size of that variety, in great profusion. Excellent in every way. Per qt., 45c.; (30c. by express). 5

**WE PAY THE POSTAGE** at prices stated except where special express prices are given.

## BEET.

## TABLE VARIETIES.

PKT.

**EDMANDS' BLOOD TURNIP.** The reddest of all turnip beets, and for that reason generally preferred to all others, as well as for its smooth growth and excellent quality. A general favorite with our customers. Per lb., 45c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c.; oz. 10c. 3 and 5

**Faust's Early.** The earliest beet in cultivation. It is large enough for the table before the Egyptian or Eclipse, and *continues growing after they have stopped*. It is also less liable to become tough and stringy from age. Per lb. 60c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 15c.; oz. 8c. 5

**Long Smooth Dark Blood.** A good winter variety. Per lb. 50c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 15c.; oz. 8c. 3 and 5

**Eclipse.** Nearly as early as any, of good shape, being nearly spherical, and a favorite with market gardeners. Per lb. 60c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 15c.; oz. 8c. 5

**Golden Turnip.** One of the sweetest of beets, having a delicate flavor peculiarly its own. Per lb. 50c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 15c.; oz. 8c. 5

TABLE VARIETIES MIXED, 3 and 5

**SWISS CHARD.** Although classed with the beets, it has no edible root, the tops alone being used. These are cooked entire for



greens, for which they are superb. Another way of cooking is to boil the leaf stalks, and serve with butter and pepper exactly as you would asparagus, though they require longer boiling, fully an hour. Per lb. 75c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c.; oz. 10c.

**BEET—Continued.**

## VARIETIES FOR CATTLE.

**Mangel Wurzel, Mammoth Long Red.** A well known large variety. Per lb. 50c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 15c.; oz., 5c.

**Mangel Wurzel, Orange Globe.** We consider this the best Mangel for shallow soil. Per lb. 40c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 15c.; oz. 5c.

**Gate Post.** A large, smooth, orange variety, very productive. Per lb. 40c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 15c.; oz. 5c.

**Imperial Sugar.** Large and sweeter than the Mangels. Per lb. 45c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 15c.; oz. 5c.

**BRUSSELS SPROUTS.**

**Dwarf Improved.** A member of the cabbage family, having numerous small heads around the stalk, very nice and tender when cooked. Oz. 15c.

Pkt.

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**CARROT.**

**OXHEART.** This variety, known also as the Gucrande, is a decided acquisition. It excels in shape, in color and in quality. But



little longer than the French Short Horn and of double the average diameter of that variety, a greater number of bushels can be raised at less expense and labor than any other carrot. The easiest of all carrots to harvest, as it may be easily pulled by hand without the aid of plow, spade or fork. Per lb. \$1.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c.; oz. 10c. 3 and 5

**Early Short Scarlet.** The earliest. Best for forcing. Very small. Superior quality. Per lb. \$1.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c.; oz. 10c. 5

**Danvers.** An intermediate variety, more productive than the smaller kinds, and succeeds well on more shallow soil than is necessary for the larger varieties. Per lb. \$1.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c.; oz. 10c. 3 and 5

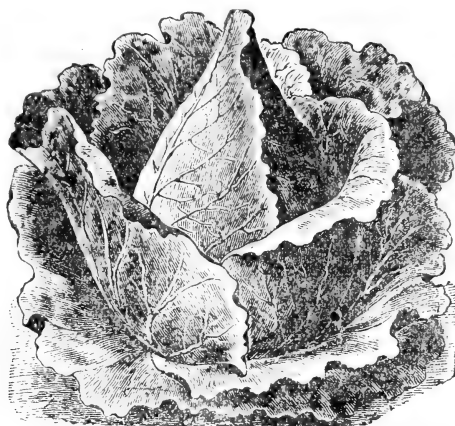
**Long Orange.** A good long variety. Per lb. \$1.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c.; oz. 10c. 5

**Large White Belgian.** Very large. Good for cattle. Per lb. 60c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c.; oz. 8c. 5

## CABBAGE.

Pkt.

**EARLY WINNIGSTADT.** Absolutely the most reliable head-  
er of any variety grown. Succeeds on a great diversity of soils. Nearly



every plant heads if given half a chance. Planted late it keeps well  
for winter. Per lb. \$2.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c.; oz. 20c. 3 and 5

**EARLIEST OF ALL.** The earliest and most uniform in color,  
size and shape of any variety yet introduced. It has but few outer  
leaves, enabling closer planting and a larger crop. It has matured  
fine heads in forty days from the time plants are set out in the open  
ground. Per lb. \$3.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00; oz. 30c. 5

**ALL SEASONS.** Quickly matures, but is such a good keeper  
that it may be planted for early or late crop. Per lb. \$2.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb.  
75c.; oz. 25c. 5

**Early Jersey Wakefield.** The standard early variety for Boston  
and New York markets. Choicest seed. Per lb. \$2.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c.;  
oz. 25c. 5

**Fottler's Early Brunswick.** A well known second early sort,  
with large flat heads. Per lb. \$2.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c.; oz. 25c. 5

**Stone-Mason Marblehead.** A good late cabbage. Per lb. \$3.00;  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00; oz. 30c. 5

**Marblehead Mammoth.** The largest cabbage grown. It needs  
a deep, strong soil, highly cultivated. Lb. \$2.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c.; oz. 25c. 5

**Premium Flat Dutch.** A good winter cabbage. Per lb. \$2.00;  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c.; oz. 20c. 3 and 5

**American Savoy Improved.** The Savoy's have fine curled  
leaves, and are the handsomest and tenderest of all cabbages, as well  
as having the richest flavor. Per lb. \$2.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c.; oz. 20c. 5

**Red Dutch.** For pickling, or as a salad. Per lb. \$2.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb.  
75c., oz. 25c. 5

**MIXED VARIETIES.** Early and late. 3 and 5

## CELERY.

Pkt.

**WHITE PLUME.** This "self blanching" variety does not require high banking to blanch the stalks. Simply earthing up enough to keep the stalks together, or even passing a string around each plant, is sufficient. Finest quality, but not a first class keeper. Oz., 20c. 5

**Giant Pascal.** A new self blanching variety of large growth and excellent quality. The best keeper of the self-blanching type. Oz. 20c. 5

**Boston Market.** As its name indicates, the favorite market variety in the vicinity of Boston. Per oz., 15c. 5

**Golden Heart.** Fine flavored, with stalks of a golden tint. Per oz., 15c. 5

**New Rose.** A beautiful pink. Very pretty and a good keeper. Per oz., 25c. 5

**Turnip Rooted.** A variety cultivated for its root, which is used sliced for a salad; also for flavoring soups. Per oz., 15c. 5

**Old Celery.** For flavoring pickles, etc. Per oz., 10c. 5

## CRESS.

**Curled Leaf.** A pungent little salad plant of quick growth, used either alone or mixed with Lettuce and other salad plants. Known also as Pepper Grass. Per oz., 10c. 5

## CORN.

## SWEET VARIETIES.

**EASTMAN'S EARLY.** (See page 2.) Per qt., 50c. (40c. by express.) 5

**GOLDEN HYBRID.** (See page 3.) Per qt., 50c. (40c. by express.) 5

**Cory.** The old standard of the extra earlies. Per peck (express), \$1.25; qt., 35c. (25c. by express.) 5

**Early Boston Market.** The largest early sort. Very sweet. Per peck (express), \$1.25; qt., 35c. (25c. by express.) 5

**Black Mexican.** Sweetest of all. Per peck (express), \$1.25; qt., 35c. (25c. by express.) 5

**Potter's Excelsior.** Very sweet, rather late. Per peck (express), \$1.25; qt., 35c. (25c. by express.) 5

**Stowell's Evergreen.** A late variety that remains in bearing for a long time. Too late for extreme north. Per peck (express), \$1.25; qt., 35c. (25c. by express.) 5

## VARIETIES OF POP CORN.

**TATTOOED YANKEE.** (See page 3.) Per qt., 50c., (35c. by express) 5

**White Rice.** Or "Squirrel Tooth." Good every way. Per qt., 40c. (25c. by express.) 5



## CUCUMBER.



**PURITY.** (See page 6.) Packet only

Pkt.  
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**Early Russian.** The earliest, very hardy, productive, tender and crisp. Fruit small, usually growing in pairs. If kept closely picked none allowed to ripen, it will remain in bearing a long time. Per lb. \$1.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c.; oz. 15c.

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**Parisian Pickling.** Distinct from all other varieties, the fruit being strikingly long and cylindrical, and densely covered with fine prickles. The best pickling variety we have ever grown. Per lb. \$1.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c.; oz. 15c.

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**Livingstone's Evergreen.** A bountiful cropper, of medium sized fruit of the best quality. The cucumbers retain their green color a long time. Per lb. \$1.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c.; oz. 15c.

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**Medium Pickling.** A combination of earliness, yield and quality. Good for slicing as well as for pickles. Per lb. \$1.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c.; oz. 15c.

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**White Spine Improved.** An excellent table variety. Per lb. \$1.75;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 55c.; oz. 20c.

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**Long Green Improved.** One of the largest of American sorts, of excellent quality. Per lb. \$2.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., oz. 20c.

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MIXED VARIETIES,

3 and 5

## CAULIFLOWER.

**Snowball.** The earliest variety, best quality, surest to head.

20

**Extra Early Dwarf Erfurt.** Nearly equal to the Snowball.

15

**Early Paris.** Somewhat later than the foregoing.

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## EGG PLANT.

**Long Purple.** The egg plant is of tropical origin and requires the whole season in our climate. The Long Purple is one of the earliest varieties. Per oz. 30c.

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## ENDIVE.

**London Curled.** A salad plant grown for its leaves, which are crisp and tender when blanched. Per oz. 25c.

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## LETTUCE.

**GRAND RAPIDS.** Beautifully curled, a strong grower, tender and crisp. Very early and fine for forcing. Per oz. 15c. Pkt.  
3 and 5

**CELERY LETTUCE.** In the "Celery" or "Cos" Lettuce we have something entirely different from the common sorts. The



leaves are long and upright. Tie a string loosely around the plant when eight inches high, and the inside will in about a week become beautifully blanched, nearly as white as the finest celery stalks, twice as crisp, and of the most delicate flavor imaginable. Per oz. 25c. 5

**Boston Curled.** Handsome and of good quality. If wanted all summer, sow a new lot every two weeks. Per oz. 20c. 5

**Premium Cabbage.** Forms a solid head, and remains in good condition longer than most varieties. Per oz. 20c. 3 and 5

**Bronze Red.** Of striking appearance, and very delicate and buttery flavor. It stands the heat of mid-summer to a remarkable degree. Per oz. 25c. 5

MIXED VARIETIES. 3 and 5

## KALE.

**Scotch Curled.** The loose green leaves are boiled and served exactly like cabbage, and have a flavor distinctly their own, highly prized by many. Per oz. 15c. 5

## KOHL RABI.

This singular vegetable is intermediate between the cabbage and turnip in habit, the stem thickening into a sort of fleshy bulb several inches above the ground. It is delicate and tender for the table when young, but grows stringy with age. Per oz. 25c. 5

## MUSK MELON.

<b>GRANITE STATE.</b> (See page 5.) Per oz., 25c.	Pkt. 10
<b>ROCKY FORD.</b> A strain of Netted Gem that comes from Colorado, the home of the most delicious melons in the world. Headquarters stock. Per lb., \$1.25; ¼ lb., 45c.; oz., 15c.	5
<b>Early Christina.</b> One of the earliest varieties. Per lb., \$1.25; ¼ lb., 45c.; oz., 15c.	5
<b>Jenny Lind.</b> An early variety, small but good. Per lb., \$1.25; ¼ lb., 45c.; oz., 15c.	3 and 5
<b>Green Citron.</b> An old and popular sort. Per lb., \$1.25; ¼ lb., 45c.; oz., 15c.	
MIXED VARIETIES.	3 and 5

## ONION.

<b>YELLOW GLOBE DANVERS.</b> In successful onion growing more depends on good seed than with almost any other vegetable in cultivation. The Yellow Globe Danvers is the acknowledged standard for general culture and we have always made a specialty of our strain of this variety. Per lb. \$2.25; ¼ lb. 60c.; oz. 20c.	5
<b>Yellow Danvers No. 2.</b> Not equal to our own, but better than most Yellow Danvers on the market. Per lb. \$1.25; ¼ lb. 40c.; oz. 15c.	3 and 5
<b>Queen.</b> A small white onion. Very early. Per lb. \$2.00; ¼ lb. 60c.; oz. 20c.	5
<b>Red Globe Danvers.</b> Rather coarser than the Yellow Danvers, but sweet and good. Will succeed in soils where many varieties fail. Per lb. \$2.00; ¼ lb. 60c.; oz. 20c.	5
<b>Large Red Wethersfield.</b> A large variety and one of the best in sections adapted to its growth. A good keeper. Per lb. \$1.50; ¼ lb. 45c.; oz. 15c.	5
<b>Silver Skinned.</b> The true white, a yellow variety sometimes being erroneously so-called. Per lb. \$2.00; ¼ lb. 60c.; oz. 20c.	5
<b>Prize Taker.</b> Without doubt the largest onion grown, samples under special culture sometimes weighing five pounds. It requires the best of culture and is not a good keeper. Per lb. \$2.00; ¼ lb. 60c.; oz. 20c.	5
MIXED VARIETIES.	3 and 5

## VARIETIES FOR PLANTING OUT.

**Yellow Sets.** These are small onions grown from seed the previous season. Planted out in the spring, they rapidly grow to size for eating. Per qt. 35c.; (25c. by express).

**Topknots.** These grow in clusters on the tops of the year old onions, where seeds grow on the common varieties. They are planted out the same as Sets. Per qt. 40c.; (30c. by express.)

**Potato Onion.** These small onions are set out, and increase in size the same as Sets and Topknots. The large onions, planted the following spring, divide into a number of smaller ones. Per qt. 50c.; (40c. by express).

## PARSNIP.

**ABBOTT'S HOLLOW CROWN.** Unsurpassed in quality. It requires a very deep soil to accommodate its great length of root. Per lb. 60c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c.; oz. 10c. 3 and 5

**Turnip Rooted.** Form described by its name. Valuable for growing in shallow soils, where the long varieties would not succeed. Earlier than the Hollow Crown, but not so good quality nor so good a keeper. Per lb. 75c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c.; oz. 10c. 5

## PARSLEY.

**Moss Curled.** Beautiful for garnishing. Per oz. 10c. 5

## PEPPER.

**Large Bell.** Large, bright red, a handsome variety. Oz. 30c. 5

**Ruby King.** Larger than the Bell, and very productive. Per oz. 30c. 5

**Chili.** The variety usually grown for pepper sauce. Per oz. 30c. 5

## PEA.

(The varieties are arranged about in their order of earliness. Those marked with a (\*) are wrinkled varieties.)

**Vick's Extra Early.** The earliest variety grown. About two feet high, of good quality. Per peck \$1.50; qt., 40c. (25c. by express.) 5

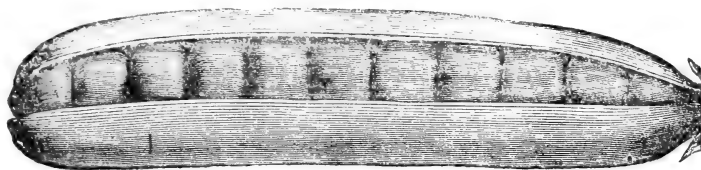
**\*SURPRISE.** The earliest of all the wrinkled sorts. About as early as the very earliest of any of the hard peas. The vines grow 20 to 24 inches in height and need no sticking. They are loaded with well filled pods not so large as the American Wonder but far more numerous, while they are ready for market days before it. Though full as early as the earliest hard sorts, it has the delicious sweetness which belongs only to the wrinkled varieties. Per qt., 55c. (40c. by express.) 5

**\*GRADUS.** (Also known as the Prosperity.) The earliest large-podded pea in cultivation, while the peas are of most superior quality, both in size and delicious flavor. It produces uniformly large pods, measuring four to four and one-half inches long, nearly round, and well filled with large, handsome peas. The earliest wrinkled pea except the Surprise. About three feet in height. Per qt., 60c. (45c. by express.) 5

**\*American Wonder.** An excellent variety if given proper treatment. In good garden soil it grows about a foot high, and bears a profusion of peas of the finest flavor. On account of its dwarf habit it requires no support, and the rows may be planted as near as sixteen or eighteen inches. Unlike the tall growing kinds, it will stand high manuring. Per peck, \$2.25; qt., 40c. (25c. by express.) 5

\***Nott's Excelsior.** A second edition of the American Wonder, with 50 per cent. added to its growth, yield and size. Peck, \$2.25; qt., 55c. (40c. by express).

\***DWARF CHAMPION.** About twenty inches in height, it needs but little support, comes into bearing just after the smaller ear-



ly sorts, and yields an enormous crop of large pods filled to completeness with plump, fat peas of surpassing richness. Peck, \$1.75; qt., 50c. (35c. by express).

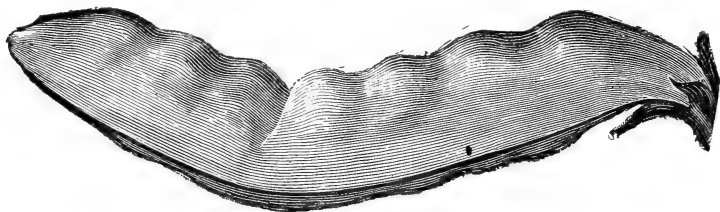
\***Stratagem.** A very heavy cropper, producing remarkably large pods and peas of excellent flavor. Peck, \$1.75; qt., 45c. (30c. by express).

\***Telephone.** Tall, enormously productive, and of the best quality. The pods are of the largest size, and contain from five to seven large peas. Height, four ft. Peck, \$1.75; qt., 45c. (30c. by express).

\***Champion of England.** An old favorite, very rich and sweet. Five to six feet high. Late. Peck, \$1.25; qt., 40c. (25c. by express).

**Black-Eyed Marrowfat.** A well-known late Pea, for field culture. About four feet high, a heavy cropper, excellent as a dried pea, and by some preferred green to the wrinkled sorts. Peck, \$1.00; qt., 40c. (25c. by express).

**GIANT SCIMITAR STRING PEA.** This mammoth podded Pea would deserve a place in every garden as a curiosity were it



not also deserving of a place on the table as one of the daintiest delicacies the garden affords. The pods, broken up and cooked like string beans, form a dish that many prefer to either beans or shelled peas, while others think them too rich to be used alone, and prefer a few pods only, mixed with ordinary shelled peas, to add richness and flavor. Many of the pods are curiously curled and twisted and often grow from five to six inches in length. One customer reports pods seven and three-fourths inches long. Height, four feet and upwards. Per qt., 50c. (35c. by express).



## RADISH.

**ICICLE** (New). A handsome first-class early variety, in color snowy white. It grows to the average length of the long varieties, but holds its fullness well down to the tap-root. Exceedingly attractive and excellent in every way. Per oz. 20c.

Pkt.

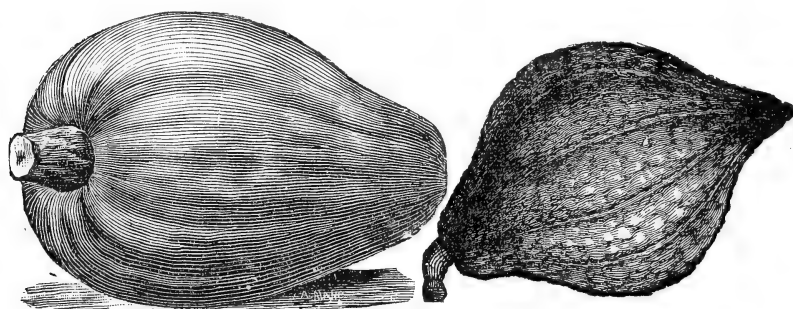
**Triumph** (New). A beautiful striped variety, of the early globe-shaped habit. Per oz. 20c.

**EARLY SCARLET GLOBE.** As a forcing radish this has established a reputation as the leading sort. Handsome in form and color—a beautiful oval and a rich scarlet. The amount of its foliage is small compared with other varieties and small for the size of the radish. It will bear the heat requisite for forcing without becoming pithy or spongy. The flesh is crisp, juicy and mild. Equally as good for open garden culture as for forcing. Per lb. 80c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c.; oz. 10c.

**Carter's Long Scarlet.** The best variety of the long scarlet type. Per lb. 60c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c.; oz. 10c.

MIXED VARIETIES.

## SQUASH.



**METCALF.** (See page 5). Per lb. \$1.25;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c.; oz. 15c.

**GOLDEN BRONZE** (New). One of the best of the new varieties, bronze green skin and deep golden yellow flesh. Early, a prolific yielder and good keeper, and of excellent quality. Per lb. \$1.25;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c.; oz. 15c.

**Faxon.** A distinctive feature of this squash is that the ripe squashes vary in color from pale yellow to deep green. In quality it is one of the best, very fine grained and sweet. It matures early and can be used as a summer squash, and is also valuable as a winter variety, being a very late keeper. Per lb. \$1.25;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c.; oz. 15c.

**Early Bush Crookneck.** The best summer squash. It may be cooked when quite young. Per lb. \$1.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c.; oz. 10c.

**American Turban.** A fall variety, very sweet and fine grained. Per lb. \$1.25;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c.; oz. 15c.

Pkt.

**Essex Hybrid.** Shaped like the Turban, with as hard a shell as the Hubbard. Excellent quality and a good keeper. Per lb. \$1.25; 1/4 lb. 40c.; oz. 15c.

**Hubbard.** The most popular winter squash grown. Keeps well. Per lb. \$1.25; 1/4 lb. 40c.; oz. 15c.

**Sibley.** Also known as the "Pike's Peak." A winter variety equal in keeping qualities to the Hubbard, and surpassing it in quality, but a trifle less hardy. Per lb., \$1.00; 1/4 lb., 30c.; oz., 10c. 3 and 5

## SALSIFY.

(OYSTER PLANT.)

**Sandwich Island.** Largest, smoothest and best. The roots are cooked in various ways as a substitute for the oyster, which they resemble in taste. Per lb., \$1.25; 1/4 lb., 40c.; oz. 15c.

## SPINACH.

**Prickly.** For spring "greens"—for fall sowing. Oz., 10c.

**Round.** For spring sowing and summer use. Oz., 10c.

## TOMATO.

**BRIGHT AND EARLY.** (See page 2). Per oz., 50c.

**BRIGHT AND EARLY.** Extra selected. (See page 2).

**Livingston's Favorite.** The best of Livingston's popular varieties. Large, smooth, solid, ripens evenly, and bears shipping well. One of the best varieties for general crop. Per oz., 25c.

**Peach.** This little gem of tomatoes is early and wonderfully productive. The fruit bears some resemblance to a peach, in size, form, and color. Eaten raw it suits our taste the best of any tomato we have ever eaten, being very mild and pleasant. Per oz., 25c.

**Dwarf Champion.** The plant grows stiff and upright, with very thick and short-jointed stems, and is almost self supporting. The foliage is dark green, thick and corrugated. The Dwarf Champion will bear very heavy manuring, and is a great cropper. Oz., 30c.

**Ponderosa.** Very large. Per oz., 50c.

**Pear Formed Red.** Fine for pickles and preserves. Oz., 30c.

**Plum Shaped Yellow.** Another favorite for preserves. Oz., 30c.

MIXED VARIETIES.

## HERBS.

A few Herbs are very useful and should be grown in every garden. The following list embraces all for which we have frequent calls:

	Per oz.	pkt.		Per oz.	pkt.
Anise	20	5	Lavender	20	5
Balm	20	5	Marjoram, Sweet	20	5
Borage	20	5	Saffron	20	5
Caraway	20	5	SAGE (Per lb., \$1.50; 1/4 lb., 50c.)	15	5
Catnip	50	5	Summer Savory	20	5
Coriander	20	5	Thyme	40	5

## TURNIP.

ENGLISH VARIETIES.

Pkt.

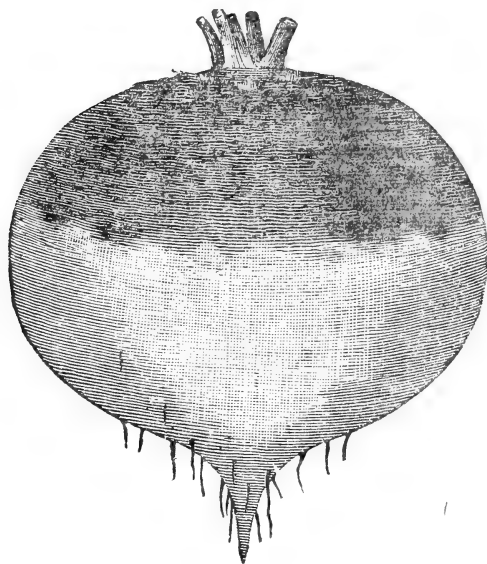
**Extra Early Milan.**

New. The earliest variety grown. Per lb., 60c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c.; oz., 10c. 3 and 5

**Purple-Top Strap-Leaf.** One of the best of its class. Per lb., 50c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c.; oz., 8c. 5

**Green-Top Aberdeen.** Intermediate in earliness between the early varieties and the Swedes. Good for stock. Per lb., 50c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c.; oz., 8c. 5

**White Egg.** A new egg shaped variety, large, smooth, handsome, and of good quality. Per lb., 3 and 5

**Purple-Top Swede.**60c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c.; oz., 8c.

## SWEDES OR RUTA BAGAS.

**PURPLE-TOP SWEDE.** The best of the Ruta Bagas. Very smooth and handsome. Yellow flesh. Per lb., 60c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c.; oz., 8c. 3 and 5

**Sweet German.** A good white turnip. Very popular. Per lb., 60c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c.; oz., 8c. 3 and 5

## WATERMELON.

Pkt.

**COLE'S EARLY.** Earliest of all watermelons. From its behavior with us, we incline to believe that the originator is right in his claim that it will ripen in every northern State, and in latitudes where melons never ripened before. Per lb., \$1.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c.; oz., 10c. 5

**Phinney's Early.** Red flesh, white seeded, early, hardy, and productive. We have a very select strain of this seed. Per lb. 75c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c.; oz., 10c. 5

**Vick's Early.** Early, and good in every way. Per lb., 80c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c.; oz. 10c. 5

## FOR PRESERVES.

**Citron, Red Seeded.** The old and well known sort. Per lb. 75c.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c.; oz. 10c. 5

MIXED VARIETIES.

3 and 5



## Choice Flowers.

### Special Discounts on Flower Seeds.

For 25 cents, Flower Seeds in packets may be selected to the value of 35 cents.  
 " 50 " " " " " " " " " " 75 "  
 "\$1.00 " " " " " " " " " " \$1.50.

Larger orders in proportion.

This is one of the best of our flowering annuals, coming into bloom in the late summer and continuing until autumn. It is well to start the seed early, and plant out when warm enough into rich soil, setting the tall varieties not nearer than a foot apart.

**New Branching.** The term "branching" fitly describes the habit of the plant, throwing out its branches so numerous as to make it a marked feature, and adding greatly to its value for cut flowers. The flowers greatly resemble some of the

finest Japan Chrysanthemums, though their season of bloom is a month earlier, but later than other Asters, coming just after the wealth of summer bloom is past and our gardens begin to be scant of flowers. White, pink, crimson, purple, striped, and mixed colors, each,

**Tall Varieties.** Mixed,

**Dwarf Bouquet.** Only six to eight inches high, and a perfect mass of flowers when grown on rich soil.

### BALSAM.



The double varieties of this half-hardy annual are among our most beautiful flowers. Sow early and transplant when the

### ASTER.



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plants are small. The flowers will be larger and less concealed by the foliage if the central and part of the side shoots are pinched off, leaving but three or four branches.

**Camellia Flowered.** Tall, mixed colors,

5

**Dwarf.** Mixed colors,

5

### ALYSSUM.

The Cabbage flea often preys upon the young leaves, but its ravages can usually be prevented by dusting ashes over the plants.

**Common Sweet.** Fragrant white flowers.

5

**Extra Dwarf.** Six inches, useful for edgings.

5

### CALENDULA.

The well known "Pot Marigold."

**Mixed Colors.**

5

**CALLIOPSIS.**

Mixed Colors. Yellow, orange, etc.

**CANDYTUFT.**

A well known hardy annual, prized for cutting. Sow seed early.

White, Purple, Carmine, Mixed Colors, each,

**CARNATION.**

Choicest Mixed.

**COSMOS.**

A late autumn bloomer.

Mixed Colors.

**CYPRESS VINE.**

A beautiful climber, with delicate fine cut leaves.

**COBEA SCANDENS.**

A climber of luxurious growth.

**CONVOLVULUS.**

C. Major is the well known Morning Glory, the most popular of our annual climbers. C. Minor is a dwarf variety for bedding.

Convolvulus Major. Mixed colors.

Convolvulus Minor. Mixed colors.

**DIANTHUS.**

The varieties here catalogued include the Japan and Chinese Pinks, and bloom the first season. Showy and fine for cutting, but not fragrant. Will live over and bloom second season if not allowed to bloom freely first year.

Mixed Varieties. Double and single.

**ESCHSCHOLTZIA.**

The "California Poppy." Brilliant flowers, all shades of orange and yellow.

Mixed Colors.

**EVERLASTINGS.**

Acroclinium.

Gomphrena. Globe Amaranth.

Mixed Everlastings.

**GOURDS.**

Mixed Varieties.

**GRASSES.**

Ornamental Mixed.

**HOLLYHOCK.**

Blooms second season.

Best Double Mixed.

**MIGNONETTE.**

A modest little hardy annual, of small beauty, but delightful fragrance.

Sweet.

**MYOSOTIS.**

Forget-Me-Not.

**MIRABILIS.**

The well-known Four-O'clock, or Marvel of Peru.

Mixed Colors.

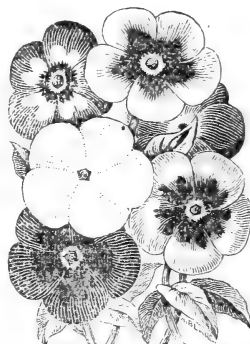
**NASTURTIIUM.**

A valuable class of half-hardy annuals, the tall varieties being fine climbers, while the dwarf kinds are excellent for compact masses of color. They bloom best when the soil is not too rich.

Tropaeolum Majus. (Climbing Nasturtium) mixed.

Tom Thumb. Crimson, Yellow, Scarlet, Spotted, each color.

Tom Thumb. Mixed colors.

**PHLOX DRUMMONDII.**

One of our best annuals for a constant brilliant display of colors. Quite hardy and may be sown in the open ground very early.

White, Scarlet, Mixed Colors, each

Star-Flowered. Curiously marked and fringed.

**PORTULACA.**

A fine trailing plant, with flowers of the most brilliant colors. Succeeds best in sandy soil, and in the sunniest situation. A portion of the flowers from the best double seed will come single.

Single. Mixed colors.

Double. Mixed colors.

**POPPY.**

An old-time flower that has of late years been much improved. Sow seeds where plants are to remain, early in spring.

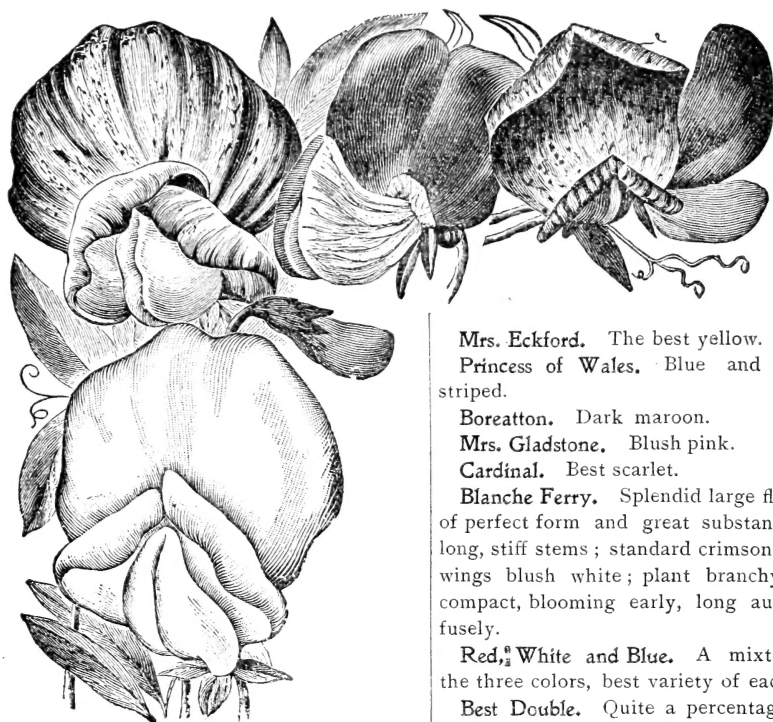
ALL KINDS AND COLORS. An elegant mixture.

Ranunculus-Flowered. Small double blossoms, very choice mixed.

Peony-Flowered. Double and large.

Oriental. Perennial, Scarlet.

Iceland. Hardy perennials, blooming the first season, and yielding year after year a profusion of brilliant single flowers on long slender stems. Very fine for cutting. Mixed colors.



### SWEET PEAS.

To succeed best with sweet peas, sow early, plant deep, enrich the ground abundantly, water liberally (if the season is dry) and cut the flowers freely.

**Blanche Burpee.** Pure white. 5

**Emily Henderson.** White. Earlier than the Blanche Burpee. 5

**Lottie Eckford.** Lavender, edged with blue. 5

**Navy Blue.** The best blue. 5

**Red Riding Hood.** Distinct in form. 5

**Daybreak.** White, veined with crimson-scarlet. 5

**Ramona.** Very large. White, splashed with pink. 5

**Meteor.** Standard orange salmon, wings pink. 5

**Mrs. Joseph Chamberlain.** One of the finest striped varieties. White and bright rose. 5

**Firefly.** Crimson-scarlet. 5

**Mrs. Eckford.** The best yellow. 5  
**Princess of Wales.** Blue and white striped. 5

**Boreatton.** Dark maroon. 5

**Mrs. Gladstone.** Blush pink. 5

**Cardinal.** Best scarlet. 5

**Blanche Ferry.** Splendid large flowers of perfect form and great substance, on long, stiff stems; standard crimson pink, wings bluish white; plant branchy and compact, blooming early, long and profusely. 5

**Red,<sup>g</sup> White and Blue.** A mixture of the three colors, best variety of each. 5

**Best Double.** Quite a percentage will come single. Mixed varieties. 5

**New Varieties.** Mixed. (Per oz. 15c.) 5

**Common Mixed.** ¼ lb., 12c.; oz., 8c.) 5

**Cupid.** Very dwarf, about six inches. To bloom well it requires a dryer situation than the tall varieties. White, or mixed colors, each, 5

**BURPEE'S BUSH SWEET PEA.** Intermediate between the Cupids and the tall varieties, from sixteen to eighteen inches high, and the only true bush variety requiring no support. Mixed colors. 10

### PETUNIA.

A continual bloomer, fine for constant show of bloom.

**Fine Mixed.** 5

### RICINUS.

A fine foliage plant, including the well-known Castor Oil Bean. Some of the varieties grow ten feet or more in height.

**Mixed Varieties.** 5

## PANSY.

The Pansy is one of the most popular flowers in cultivation, one to which we have given special attention. It delights in a very rich soil, with plenty of moisture, and to insure constant bloom the flowers should be cut freely and none allowed to run to seed. Sown in the open ground in early spring they will reach the best blooming season in the cool weather of the fall, or if sown in August and protected through the winter will be in their prime the coming spring.

**EASTMAN'S GIANTS.**

Largest of all. Specially selected for their great size from our "Pine Tree State" collection. With high cultivation blossoms have been grown the size of the engraving.

**EASTMAN'S BEAUTIES.**

A special selection of the handsomest varieties.

Nothing finer at any price. 15

**MASTERPIECE.** One of the latest pansy novelties, the outer edge of each petal being distinctly curled and undulated. 20

**President Carnot.** Deep velvety violet, with white margin. Very fine. 10

**Snowy White.** Very pure. 10

**Victoria Red.** The nearest to a true red yet produced in pansies. 10

**King of the Blacks.** 5

**Emperor William.** Blue, very fine. 5

**Lord Beaconsfield.** Purple violet, shaded to white. 5

**Yellow, Mahogany-colored, Marbled,** each, 5

**Fine Mixed.** 5

**SALPIGLOSSIS.**

**Mixed Colors.** All beautifully veined and marked. An elegant annual. 10

**SCABIOSA.**

Known also as Mourning Bride.

**Mixed Colors.** 5

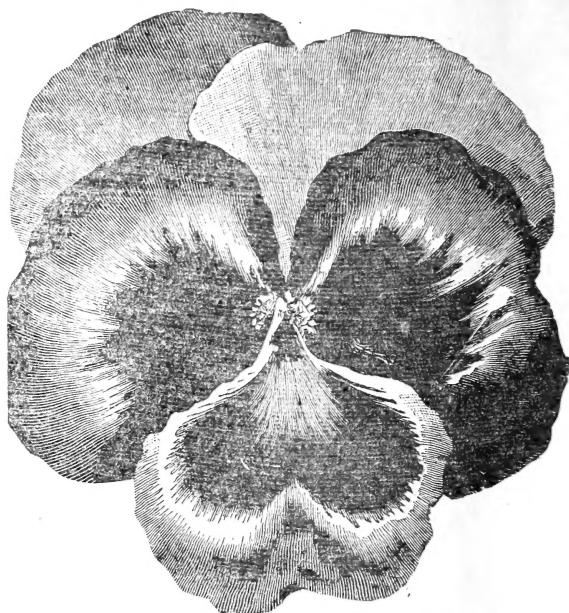
**SNAPDRAGON.**

**Mixed Colors.** 5

**STOCK. (Ten Weeks.)**

The Stock needs a rich, moist soil, and should be watered in dry weather. It is best to sow seeds where plants are to flower.

**Best Double.** Mixed colors, 5



One of Eastman's Giants. (Actual Size.)

**SUNFLOWER.**

**Large Double.** 5

**Mammoth Russian. Single.** 5

**SWEET WILLIAM.**

**Best Double.** 5

**Single Mixed.** 5

**VERBENA.**

**Fine Mixed.** 5

**Extra Choice.** 10

**ZINNIA.**

A free-blooming hardy annual. It does well with simple culture, and remains in bloom until destroyed by frost.

**Double, Mixed Colors.** 5

